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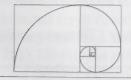
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AMSA's advertising policy: We are accepting ads in the *Members Exchange* Newsletter!!

Each AMSA member gets one free "1 inch" ad per year; then, each additional "1 inch" ad per member is \$5 per publication. A Business card ad is \$8 per issue or \$32 per year/four issues. Non-members may run a "1 inch" ad for a flat fee of \$10/ issue. A one inch ad may have about 40-50 words and be a maximum of six lines long. For commercial businesses: A half-page business ad is \$100 for the year/ four issues; A quarter-page business ad is \$60 per year/ four issues.

For more information or to submit an ad, send your e-mail to: AMSA news@frontier.com.

MEDALLIC ART SOCIETY OF CANADA REBOOTS

Lorraine Wright is the new President of the Medallic Art Society of Canada.

The MASC Council held its last meeting in February 2014, more than a full year ago. At

that time the Council accepted the resignation of the President and since then all operations of the Society have been suspended. The Council did determine at that meeting that some individual, either from the Council or the membership at large, would have to step forward before MASC could resume operations.

I am pleased to inform you that Lorraine Wright has offered to lead MASC, bringing a vision and new energy for revitalizing the Society's activities and projects. A short process involving all the Past Presidents of MASC



resulted in Lorraine being endorsed as the new MASC President.

Lorraine tells me that she has already been in discussion with current and past Coun-

cil members as well as some prospective new members. She will be speaking with many of you as she sets about the task of assembling a new Council. You may contact Lorraine by e-mail at lwright@georgebrown.ca

I myself have taken up the request to continue to serve and it is my hope that you will do the same, so that we may maintain the good work at which so many have toiled so hard for so long. ϕ

Paul R. Petch MASC Webmaster / Treasurer and a MASC Past President

SPRING BLOSSOMS WITH ACTIVITY

Dear AMSA Members,

Hopefully the worst of the winter is behind us so let's think spring with warmer, brighter days and spring flowers. One can always hope.

Good news from the north: the Medallic Art Society of Canada is back in business and a letter from their president is in this newsletter. Many AMSA members have been part of their group, your president included and we wish them a great productive year ahead. Perhaps you would like to join? It's important that we support each other in our very special art form, the art of the medal.

We are very pleased with number of submissions for the "AMY Award" the American Medal of the Year award. We had a good response and pleased that we have a total of 29 entries and will soon be submitting the medals to the judges. The results will be announced in the next newsletter.

This newsletter has more photos of medals from Bogomil Nikolov's exhibit at the National Art Gallery in Sofia, a few medals from the Dutch artists medals exhibit at the Union of Bulgarian Artists' Gallery as well as several medal displays from the Medals Fair, the sales event on the last day of FIDEM, where collectors could inspect and see medals close up and purchase their favorites.

Hopefully we will be able to have another AMSA

President's Letter

members' exhibit

in the near future. The Nordic museum show will happen but it is uncertain just exactly when. We are in their future program plans and will just have to wait and see what happens.

Meanwhile any of you members can ask your favorite gallery or Alma Mater for the opportunity to have a medals exhibit. Sometimes all you need to do is ask nicely.

The USA FIDEM delegation has a new head Delegate. Mashiko resigned her position at the end of the year and Jeanne Stevens-Sollman, US - FIDEM vice-delegate has stepped up to the position and Jim Licaretz will be the new vice-delegate.

The AMSA Membership list will be included with this newsletter so please check over your listing to see that all information is correct.

Hopefully the nastier than usual winter in many parts of the country will soon be past so we can look towards spring with the beautiful flowers and get inspiration when enjoying the beautiful outdoors.

Happy Spring.

Anne-Lise Deering, AMSA president

NEW US FIDEM DELEGATE: JEANNE

On January 1, 2015, Mashiko stepped down as FI-DEM USA Delegate passing the baton to Vice Delegate Jeanne Stevens-Sollman past AMSA president and current member of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee. The new vice delegate is past president of AMSA and a United States Mint artist, Jim Licaretz; with Beverly Mazze also a past president of AMSA serving as second vice delegate.

January 2015 is the time to pay membership dues to FIDEM. As voted during the Congress in Sofia, FIDEM international dues will remain the same as last year: 50 Euros for individuals and 30 Euros for students. US FIDEM dues also will remain the same as last year.

In keeping with the tradition of commissioning a US FIDEM Delegate medal and hosting a reception at the next Congress, US FIDEM dues include a minimal additional fee to cover those costs as well as foreign currency exchange and transfer fees.

2015 US FIDEM membership dues: \$77 for individual (\$85 – postmarked after February 15); \$57 for

JEANNE STEVENS-SOLLMAN

students (\$65 – postmarked after February 15). Please mail your check made payable to: Jeanne Stevens-Sollman using the following address: US FIDEM, c/o Jeanne Stevens-Sollman, Delegate; 318 North Fillmore Road; Bellefonte, Pennsylvania 16823-9047 (2015 membership)

I have opened a special account under my name to eliminate extra charges by the bank, so please note on your check that payment is for 2015 US FIDEM dues.

The next Congress and Exhibition will be held in Belgium September 6 to 10, 2016 with a post-congress tour starting September 11.

As I receive more information on the next FIDEM call for entries, I will pass it on to you. Meanwhile let winter start your inspiration for new medals, as medals must be submitted for judging in the last quarter of 2015.

All the best,

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Jeanne Stevens-Sollman, j.stevenssollman@gmail, US FIDEM Delegate

"REMEMBERING THE FUTURE" FROM NYNC, AN HISTORIC GIFT TO MUSEUM

On February 5th, 2015, a small but medallically significant ceremony was held at the Queens Museum in New York City's Corona Park.

The museum, which sits on the site of both the 1939 and 1964 New York World's Fairs, serves today as, among other things, the *de facto* repository for and exhibitor of all things relating to the iconic fairs.

So it was fitting that the New York Numismatic Club's tribute to the fairs,

created by artists Mashiko, Eugene Daub, Joel Iskowitz and Luigi Badia, be added officially, ceremoniously, and permanently to Museum's public display of its magnificent collection.

Mashiko, Daub, Iskowitz and Badia are all members of the American Medallic Sculpture Association.

Beginning in early 2014, and desiring to commemorate the 50th and 75th anniversaries of the famous fairs, the New York Numismatic Club determined it would create a fitting medallic tribute. The Club's Medallic Design Committee solicited initial designs, and after input and changes, production began on three principal elements:

· A 1939 medal side, 2½ inches in diameter, designed by Eugene Daub and which would depict key physical elements, as well as capture the spirit of the 1939 New York World's Fair;

· A 1964 medal face, 2½ inches in diameter, designed by Joel Iskowitz and sculpted by Luigi Badia which would depict, on the opposite side of the medal, key physical elements of the 1964 fair and capture the spirit of that event, and;

· A bronze "base," designed and finished by Ma-



Medals commemorating the 75th and 50th anniversaries of the iconic 1939 and 1964 World's Fairs, and designed and sculpted by AMSA members Eugene Daub (1939, left) and Jeol Iskowitz and Luigi Badia (1964, right), respectively, were presented by the New York Numismatic Club to the Queen's Museum in New York City's Corona Park. Below, the medals on Mashiko's unique stand.



shiko. The "Mashiko Stand," as the club refers to this special sculptural composition, would feature two interlocking parts, each grooved to hold one of the medals oriented to show either the 1939 or 1964 side, and evoke World's Fair and Club imagery.

The medals, struck by Medalcraft of Green Bay, Wisconsin, were issued in a limited and numbered edition of only 30 pairs of silver [.999] and bronze.

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AMSA MEMBERS CREATE MEDALS, UNIQUE STAND

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The base, with dark, partially green patination, and including a rendering of the Club's traditional seal by Jonathan M. Swanson, was designed to allow for the display of the two medals upright and together.

When the Fairs were staged in 1939 and 1964, they represented an optimistic view of what was to come and their purpose was to familiarize visitors with that generation's view of the "Future."

The Iskowitz/Daub medals, when placed on the Mashiko Stand, create a powerful architectural construct reminiscent of the Fair's architecture and animated by coloristic variety – the 1939 and 1964 sides of the medal appear next to each other joined physically by the base, very much like the Fairs that survive today in Flushing Meadows Park.

The ceremony, well attended by Club members and Queens Museum representatives, included addresses by Debra Wimpfheimer, Queens Museum Director of Strategic Partnerships; Louise Weinberg, Queens Museum Registrar and Archives Manager; the Club's President, Mark Anderson; the Club's immediate Past President and the World's Fair Medals project's principal driver, Dr. Constantin Marinescu; and Artists Mashiko, Joel Iskowitz

and Luigi Badia.

Eugene Daub, a resident of the West Coast, was not present. Mashiko, Mr. Iskowitz, Mr. Badia and Mr. Daub are all AMSA members.

The New York Numismatic Club was organized in late 1908, primarily as a social group for numismatists. It is the oldest continuously operating such entity in the United States.

Since its founding, the group has included some of the premier numismatic scholars, artists, and medallists of the day. The Club's traditions include a focus on education, sociability, and enjoyment of numismatic and related historical objects.

In addition to its lecture programs and exhibit activities, the Club has recognized every one of its presidents and - from time to time - relevant historical events, with elegant medallic creations of its own. ϕ





Above, Joel Iskowitz speaks at the presentation o fht 75th and 50th commemorative World's Fair medals at the Queens Museum in Coronoa Park, N.Y.
At left, from left, Luigi Badia, Mashiko and Joel Iskowitz at the World's Fair medal ceremony.

Photos by Mark Anderson/President NYNC

FIDEM MEDALS FAIR HIGHLIGHTS ARTISTS



The Portuguese medallic sculptor Joao Duarte, left, at his exhibit table.

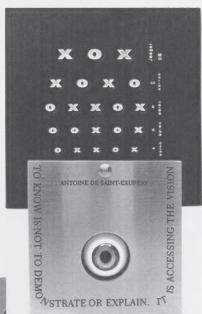
Joao Duarte, above left, is a medallic sculptor from Portugal. His FIDEM Fair exhibit showed some of his far-ranging approaches to medallic art. And, the individual medals shown here are two medals of his included in the Opthalmology exhibit on display at Medialia Gallery through July 31, 2015.

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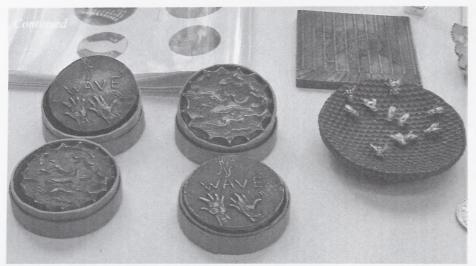




At left, a selection of medals by Ivanka Mincheva at the FIDEM Fair. Mincheva is a renowned member of the US FIDEM delegation and an AMSA members.

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MEDALLIC SCULPTORS EXHIBIT BEST AT FIDEM FAIR



Kate Ive, of the United Kngdom, exhibited medals at the FIDEM Fair exhibit. At left, a close up of several of Ive's medals from her FIDEM exhibit.



A selection of medals by Linda Verkaik at left and below.



FIDEM FAIR A HIGHLIGHT OF CONFERENCE



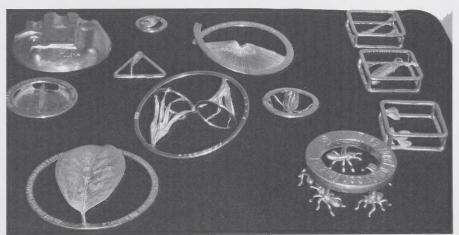




Above, James Malone-Beach at his FIDEM Fair exhibit. Above left, medallic works in a partially transparent medium.







Above, a medal by Grazyna Lindau. Above, at left, Grazyna Lindau.

At left, various medals on exhibit at FIDEM Fair XXXIII byTetsuji Seta of Japan.

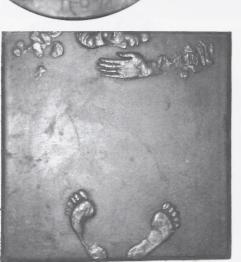
DUTCH EXHIBIT POST FIDEM SEPTEMBER 2014



Above, the opening of the Dutch exhibit at the Regional Ethnographic Museum in Plovdiv, Bulgaria, a stop on the post-FIDEM tour. At right, a supersized representation of a medal in the sculpture garden of the Plovdiv museum. Below, several of the medals from the Dutch exhibit.











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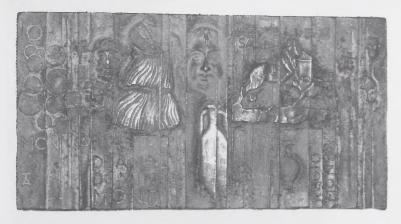
DUTCH EXHIBIT PRESENTED NUMEROUS MEDALS

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At left, the entrance to the Regional Ethnographic Museum in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. Below, more medals from the Dutch exhibit post FIDEM.

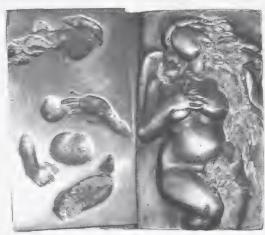






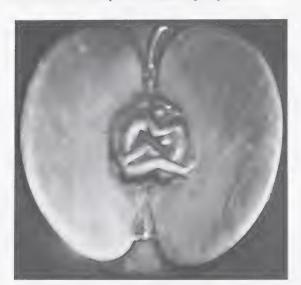
BOGOMIL NIKOLOV AT SOFIA'S NATIONAL GALLERY





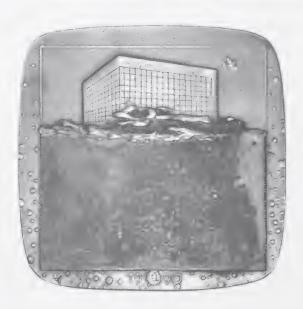


A selection of medals from an exhibit at the National Gallery of Art in Sofia, Bulgaria, presented by Bogomil Nikolov and the Medallic Sculpture Studio of Sofia.









March 14 - April 25, 2015

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Gallery hours: Wed-Sat, 12 to 6pm, or call for appointment

Space I

PRELUDE TO THE FUTURE Contemporary American Medallic Art

A traveling exhibition curated by Mashiko. The second installment will be hosted by *Galerie H20*. Kyoto, Japan in April 2015 where Japanese medalists will also featured.

Lindley Briggs John Cook James Malone Beach Eugene Daub Chester Martin Don Everbart Mashiko Leonda Froeblich Finke Chuck McCleary Lindsay Fisher Ivanka Mincheva Lindsay Gilbert Ann Shaper Pollack Marion Held Polly Pureis Phebe Hemphill Marika Somogyi Ronald Kustrup Jeanne Stevens-Sollman Marie-Jean Lederman Merlin Szasz

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Flying Home A solo exhibition by Marion Held

Space III

THROUGH JULY 2015

The New Approach Contemporary Medallic Art Research Center

OPHTHALMOLOGIA OPTICA ET VISION IN NUMMIS

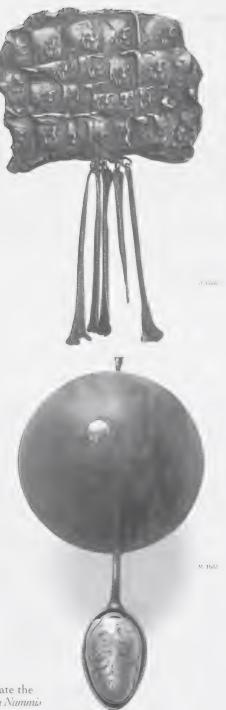
New Approach hosts a special exhibition of work from the collections of Dr. Jay M. Galst & Dr. Ira Rezak to celebrate the publication of the catalogue Ophthalmologia Optica Et Visio In Nummir by Jay M.Galst & Peter G. Van Alfen.

OPHTHALMOLOGY & RELATED THEMES

Artists in a Competition By Invitation

An international competition curated by Mashiko. Sponsored by Dr. Jay M. Galst & Dr. Ira Rezak.

Ester Balas • Eugene Daub • João Duarte • Ron Dutton • Consuelo de la Cuadra • Andreia Ferreira Gabriella Gasparova-Illesova • Oleg Gavrison • Paul Huybrechts • Masabaru Kakitubo Dana Krinsky Tal Weiser Lavi • Pawel Leski • Masbiko • James MaloneBeach Charles McCleary • Sehastian Mikolajczak • Nicola Moss • Ines Natrina • Bogomil Nikolov • Antanas Olbitas • Jurgis Paulauskas Natasbia Rateliffe • José Simão • Danuta Soloiej Tamas Soltra Geer Steyn • Jeanne Stevens-Sollman • Bruno Strautins • Janis Strupulis Tautomu Tamura • José Teixeira • Carsten Theumer • Antra Urtáne • Mirena Zlateva





Brookgreen gardens workshops Spring 2015:

Inside tips, bas relief, medallic art with amsa members Licaretz, Wastweet and Daub.

March 29 - April 12

Jim Lacaretz attended the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts as a sculpture major and has been making two- and three-dimensional objects ever since.

His professional career includes staff positions at the Franklin Mint and Franklin Porcelain as well as several years as a master sculptor at Mattel Toys. He has produced collectibles as well as toys for most of the companies that produce either product.

Jim Licaretz was a sculptor engraver at the United States Mint in Philadelphia in the late 1980s and returned to that position in 2006.

He is a Fellow of the National Sculpture Society and a former president of the American Medallic Sculpture Association, having been a member since 1987. He sees medallic sculpture as a contemporary vehicle for personal statements. Licaretz lives and works in Philadelphia. He will be in residence at Brookgreen Gardens from March 29 - April 12.

• SCULPTOR'S BOOT CAMP: TIPS OF THE TRADE YOU NEED TO KNOW:

On April 6, a lecture by Jim Licaretz opens his workshop beginning the next day with "The Sculpture of Jim Licaretz" to be held in the Lowcountry Auditorium, from 3 to 4 p.m. Free with garden admission. Then, from April 7 to 11 it's the workshop: "Sculptors' Boot Camp: Tips of the Trade You Need to Know" with Jim Licaretz, FNSS, \$650 plus material fees.

Also, AMSA members Heidi Wastweet and Eugene Daub are presenting workshops at Brookgreen Gardens this year.

• DRAWING WITH CLAY: BAS RELIEF SCULPTURE TECHNIQUES FOR EVERYONE

From Apr. 7 to 9 (Tuesday to Thursday) "Drawing with Clay: Bas-relief Sculpture Techniques for

Everyone" with Heidi Wastweet, \$450 plus materials.

Exploring the common ground between drawing and sculpture, this workshop is for sculptors who want to learn relief technique skills or painters/graphic artists who want to expand their comprehension of depth, mass, and planes.

Participants will work from their chosen reference material in oil clay and plaster in either circular or rectangle format. You will learn how working in the negative can make intricate details easier, learn to pinpoint plane changes and use the "stair method" of achieving the illusion of depth, and how to mimic tonal range with light and shadow. No sculpture experience is required but participants must be comfortable with their basic drawing skills.

• MEDALLIC ART

From Aug. 31 to Sept. 4 (Mon-Fri) "Medallic Art" with Eugene Daub, \$650 plus materials.

This workshop will cover not only instruction for modeling but for molding and casting of negative and positive plasters.

Working in the plaster negative offers the artist the unique opportunity to carve letters and address details that are impossible to execute in the original clay. You will be creating a portrait (human, animal, plant, building) from a photo/digital image of your choice.

It is critical to select a photo that has enough visual information, revealing the structure and subtleties of form, to enable the student to recreate it in relief (additional information on this will be provided when you register).

Letter-carving will be one of the techniques that will be covered as will the process of transferring the drawing to the clay. The format will be an eight-inch slightly dished basin for the clay relief. It is common practice to model a medallion oversize and then reduce it. Eugene Daub will discuss all of the options for reduction. ϕ

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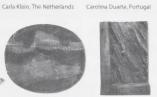












Consuelo de la Cuadra, Spain

Elise Pelsdonk, The Netherlands

Evgenia Ilkova, Bulgaria































José Teixeira, Portugal

Jianghao Wang, China

Katya Valter Potskova, Bulgaria

Rada Nikolova, Bulgaria













Laura David Bosne, Portugal



Polly Purvis, USA











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Stanislava Anchova, Bulgaria

Yukari Nakano, Japan

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Vitor Santos, Portugal

Alexandra Russinova, Bulgaria

Zaynab Abdul-Razzak IRAQ

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Andrey Mishin, Russia

Andreia Pereira, Portugal



Baiba Sime, Latvia/Portugal



Carolina Duarte, Portugal



Consuelo de la Cuadra, Spain





Dayana Kazakova, Bulgaria









Gyula Péterfia, Hungary



Helder Batista, Portugal





Kaloyan Georgiev, Bulgaria



Inés Vasquez, Portugal



James MaloneBeach, USA



Jeanne Stevens-Sollman, USA





Georgij Postnikov, Russia











João Duarte, Portugal







Stevlin Yovchev, Bulgaria Stanislava Anchova, Bulgaria



Sebastian Mikolajczak, Poland



Teodora Draganova, Bulgaria









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